in future. but I do hope you will not attach any blame to your Mother, or us, for the past. She knew not what to do & I can assure you that we have not feathered our pockets by coming. I think she gave all you could afford & for those who have their house-rent & wood to buy, it was a good chance.

George Mills is married to Emily Miller & I expect would be glad to come here on some terms. Your Mother wrote me when you was gone that she was coming home this fall & I expected her before this time.

We have taken up the 70$ note to Mr Miller, but do not know how much remains. Mr Woodbridge has paid up all but about $12 which he refuses to pay untill Your Mother comes to settle. Remember us in love to your Mother & yourself & Children Yours &c Mary & P

Woodbridge Bodwell is married much to the grief of his friends

Mrs. M. L. Phelps,
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Mr Phelps Dr Sir

Your letter of the 2d came directly to hand, but it is too late to effect. Mr Woodworth & Mr Gay came on Wednesday to stake out the road & they are to commence work on Monday. As soon as we found that the road was decidedly to go Erastus went to Mr W & enquired whether you was notified, & he said it was the business of the Court & we supposed you would direct us what to do about the fences. But as you did not come nor send thought best to write. We have done every thing possible to prevent making it. but there is no help. & Mr W says that $80. is all that the Committee have allow you. & that if you had appealed for higher damages it would not have paid the cost. We can do nothing but save your fences. if they commence on your land Erastus will turn the walls to save them for if it is left for them, they will draw them where they want their bridge But if they begin on Wards land, there will be time to get directions from you what to do. We cannot learn where they are to begin, the Town have let out the road to be built.

I suppose you are aware that our time expires the 20th of this Month & you will of course make your own arrangements